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REINSTITUTION OF TRANSITS WITHOUT VISAS (TRWOV)

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1. REFERENCED REGULATION REQUIRES CARRIER BRINGING TO USA TRANSIT PASSENGER WITHOUT VISA TO MAINTAIN CUSTODY OF HIM UNTIL HE DEPARTS USA. BRANIFF CHIEF IN ARGENTINA (MARPLES) REPORTS THAT, SINCE BRANIFF HAS NO ONWARD FLIGHTS BEYOND USA AND TRWOV PASSENGER BROUGHT TO USA BY BRANIFF WOULD HAVE TO DEPART BY SOME OTHER AIRLINE, BRANIFF RELUCTANT ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS CUSTODY AND IS REFUSING ACCEPT TRWOV PASSENGER. BRANIFF NOTES HOWEVER THAT FOREIGN LINES AEROLINEAS ARGENTINAS AND VARIG, ALTHOUGH ALSO WITHOUT ONWARD LFIGHTS BEYOND USA, WILLING ASSUME CUSTODY TRWOV'S AND ACCEPTING TRWOV PASSENGERS. BRANIFF ESTIMATES IT HAS LOST TO FOREING LINES AT LEAST 147 PASSENGERS OUT OF ARGENTINA ALONE AS RESULT SINCE NEW REGULATIONS WENT INTO EFFECT JULY 1.

2. ACCORDINGLY, AND TO EVALUATE WHETHER CHANGE OF POLICY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED, BRANIFF INQUIRES

A. WHAT PHYSICCAL ARRANGEMENTS AEROLINEAS ARGENTINAS AND VARIG USING TO EFFECT COMPLETE CUSTODY OF
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TRWOV'S UNTIL DEPARTURE (ON OTHER AIRLINES),

AND

B. WHETHER INS CAN ADVISE ON BASIS EXPERIENCE TO
DATE HOW MANY TRWOV'S HAVE BEEN ABLE TO EVADE
INCOMING AIRLINE'S CUSTORY AND TO VIOLATE STATUS
IN USA.

3. IN INTEREST POSSIBLY PROMOTING MORE TRAVEL ON US
CARRIERS, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RESPONSES FROM BOTH
ACTION ADDRESSEES TO BRANIFF'S QUESTIONS, ABOVE.
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